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Proposed Consumer Industries Branch T/O

We have been giving considerable thought to the grade structure of the Consumer Industries Branch, soon to be placed under the supervision of this Division. We are attaching a copy of the suggested T/O by grade.

In reviewing the proposed missions of this Branch, we feel that we are justified in breaking the Branch into 3 sections: one on retail trade; the second on standard of living; and the third responsible for research in depth and the coordination with other branches or divisions on the production of consumer goods.

Based on past experience in the Research Area, we feel that the grade structure is commensurate with the missions and duties required in the Branch. No consideration has been given to the present grades of personnel involved in the transfer to this Branch. We are concerned with the magnitude of the job facing this Branch and feel that even with competent people filling the T/O we will be seriously handicapped by the size of the T/O.

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